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TABLE 1
TOTAL FELON PAROLEES RETURNED TO CALIFORNIA PRISONS
NUMBER AND RATE* PER 100 AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION (ADP)**
CALENDAR YEAR 1974 THROUGH 2003

CALENDAR YEAR	AVERAGE DAILY FELON PAROLEE/PAL POPULATION**	TOTAL FELON PAROLEES RETURNED (PV-RETs)		TOTAL FELON PAROLEES RETURNED WITH A NEW TERM (PV-WNTs)		TOTAL FELON PAROLEES RETURNED TO CUSTODY WITHOUT A NEW TERM *** (PV-RTCs)	
		NUMBER	RATE*	NUMBER	RATE*	NUMBER	RATE*
1974	14,824	2,383	16.1	757	5.1	1,626	11.0
1975	15,132	1,649	10.9	766	5.1	883	5.8
1976	15,302	2,233	14.6	1,255	8.2	978	6.4
1977	14,428	2,031	14.1	1,243	8.6	788	5.5
1978	12,401	2,585	20.8	1,574	12.7	1,011	8.2
1979	10,455	2,558	24.5	1,362	13.0	1,196	11.4
1980	11,061	2,995	27.1	1,393	12.6	1,602	14.5
1981	11,883	3,885	32.7	1,772	14.9	2,113	17.8
1982	13,609	6,009	44.2	2,231	16.4	3,778	27.8
1983	18,223	8,435	46.3	3,160	17.3	5,275	28.9
1984	24,390	11,409	46.8	3,988	16.4	7,421	30.4
1985	28,888	16,311	56.5	5,042	17.5	11,269	39.0
1986	33,615	23,849	70.9	5,790	17.2	18,059	53.7
1987	39,878	31,597	79.2	6,390	16.0	25,207	63.2
1988	50,054	42,424	84.8	8,410	16.8	34,014	68.0
1989	58,731	51,016	86.9	11,040	18.8	39,976	68.1
1990	69,164	54,379	78.6	14,070	20.3	40,309	58.3
1991	80,905	57,344	70.9	16,010	19.8	41,334	51.1
1992	87,940	52,871	60.1	17,939	20.4	34,932	39.7
1993	90,628	54,681	60.3	19,150	21.1	35,531	39.2
1994	93,536	62,480	66.8	17,009	18.2	45,471	48.6
1995	102,181	69,884	68.4	17,454	17.1	52,430	51.3
1996	109,659	75,419	68.8	17,435	15.9	57,984	52.9
1997	115,299	85,497	74.2	17,593	15.3	67,904	58.9
1998	122,981	87,645	71.3	17,385	14.1	70,260	57.1
1999	129,709	87,729	67.6	17,064	13.2	70,665	54.5
2000	134,821	89,346	66.3	16,016	11.9	73,330	54.4
2001	136,932	88,806	64.9	14,531	10.6	74,275	54.2
2002	136,133	85,551	62.8	14,363	10.6	71,188	52.3
2003	131,693	78,058	59.3	15,703	11.9	62,355	47.3

Note: Components may not add to totals due to independent rounding.

***These rates should not be considered to be CDC's recidivism rates.**

**The Average Daily Felon Parolee/PAL Population (ADP) includes the average daily population of felon parolees supervised in California, plus the average daily felon parolee-at-large (PAL) population. California releases to parole who were under supervision in other states and absconded from supervision were included in the PAL population prior to 1986.

***Beginning in 1986, the Total Felon Parolees Returned to Custody Without a New Term includes parolees who were returned to CDC custody pending a revocation hearing.

TABLE 2
MALE FELON PAROLEES RETURNED TO CALIFORNIA PRISONS
NUMBER AND RATE* PER 100 AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION (ADP)**
CALENDAR YEAR 1974 THROUGH 2003

CALENDAR YEAR	AVERAGE DAILY MALE FELON PAROLEE/PAL POPULATION**	MALE FELON PAROLEES RETURNED (PV-RETs)		MALE FELON PAROLEES RETURNED WITH A NEW TERM (PV-WNTs)		MALE FELON PAROLEES RETURNED TO CUSTODY WITHOUT A NEW TERM*** (PV-RTCs)	
		NUMBER	RATE*	NUMBER	RATE*	NUMBER	RATE*
1974	13,553	2,260	16.7	727	5.4	1,533	11.3
1975	14,018	1,540	11.0	732	5.2	808	5.8
1976	14,394	2,189	15.2	1,222	8.5	967	6.7
1977	13,632	1,982	14.5	1,212	8.9	770	5.6
1978	11,750	2,510	21.4	1,538	13.1	972	8.3
1979	9,882	2,472	25.0	1,325	13.4	1,147	11.6
1980	10,392	2,901	27.9	1,354	13.0	1,547	14.9
1981	11,098	3,725	33.6	1,714	15.4	2,011	18.1
1982	12,684	5,730	45.2	2,141	16.9	3,589	28.3
1983	17,009	8,040	47.3	3,022	17.8	5,018	29.5
1984	22,731	10,796	47.5	3,814	16.8	6,982	30.7
1985	26,793	15,414	57.5	4,778	17.8	10,636	39.7
1986	30,959	22,343	72.2	5,433	17.5	16,910	54.6
1987	36,589	29,537	80.7	6,042	16.5	23,495	64.2
1988	45,738	39,583	86.5	7,919	17.3	31,664	69.2
1989	53,616	47,399	88.4	10,341	19.3	37,058	69.1
1990	62,872	50,408	80.2	13,194	21.0	37,214	59.2
1991	73,191	53,017	72.4	14,994	20.5	38,023	52.0
1992	79,465	49,122	61.8	16,862	21.2	32,260	40.6
1993	82,012	50,678	61.8	17,935	21.9	32,743	39.9
1994	84,854	57,457	67.7	15,767	18.6	41,690	49.1
1995	92,896	64,216	69.1	16,217	17.5	47,999	51.7
1996	99,403	68,816	69.2	16,057	16.2	52,759	53.1
1997	104,198	78,040	74.9	16,181	15.5	61,859	59.4
1998	110,528	79,724	72.1	15,831	14.3	63,893	57.8
1999	116,264	79,734	68.6	15,472	13.3	64,262	55.3
2000	120,493	81,313	67.5	14,574	12.1	66,739	55.4
2001	121,979	81,383	66.7	13,379	11.0	68,004	55.8
2002	121,200	78,535	64.8	13,240	10.9	65,295	53.9
2003	117,412	71,779	61.1	14,409	12.3	57,370	48.9

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TABLE 3
FEMALE FELON PAROLEES RETURNED TO CALIFORNIA PRISONS
NUMBER AND RATE* PER 100 AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION (ADP)**
CALENDAR YEAR 1974 THROUGH 2003

CALENDAR YEAR	AVERAGE DAILY FEMALE FELON PAROLEE/PAL POPULATION**	FEMALE FELON PAROLEES RETURNED (PV-RETs)		FEMALE FELON PAROLEES RETURNED WITH A NEW TERM (PV-WNTs)		FEMALE FELON PAROLEES RETURNED TO CUSTODY WITHOUT A NEW TERM *** (PV-RTCs)	
		NUMBER	RATE*	NUMBER	RATE*	NUMBER	RATE*
1974	1,271	123	9.7	30	2.4	93	7.3
1975	1,114	109	9.8	34	3.1	75	6.7
1976	908	44	4.8	33	3.6	11	1.2
1977	796	49	6.2	31	3.9	18	2.3
1978	651	75	11.5	36	5.5	39	6.0
1979	573	86	15.0	37	6.5	49	8.6
1980	669	94	14.1	39	5.8	55	8.2
1981	785	160	20.4	58	7.4	102	13.0
1982	925	279	30.2	90	9.7	189	20.4
1983	1,214	395	32.5	138	11.4	257	21.2
1984	1,659	613	36.9	174	10.5	439	26.5
1985	2,095	897	42.8	264	12.6	633	30.2
1986	2,656	1,506	56.7	357	13.4	1,149	43.3
1987	3,289	2,060	62.6	348	10.6	1,712	52.1
1988	4,316	2,841	65.8	491	11.4	2,350	54.4
1989	5,115	3,617	70.7	699	13.7	2,918	57.0
1990	6,292	3,971	63.1	876	13.9	3,095	49.2
1991	7,714	4,327	56.1	1,016	13.2	3,311	42.9
1992	8,475	3,749	44.2	1,077	12.7	2,672	31.5
1993	8,616	4,003	46.5	1,215	14.1	2,788	32.4
1994	8,682	5,023	57.9	1,242	14.3	3,781	43.5
1995	9,286	5,668	61.0	1,237	13.3	4,431	47.7
1996	10,256	6,603	64.4	1,378	13.4	5,225	50.9
1997	11,101	7,457	67.2	1,412	12.7	6,045	54.5
1998	12,452	7,921	63.6	1,554	12.5	6,367	51.1
1999	13,444	7,995	59.5	1,592	11.8	6,403	47.6
2000	14,328	8,033	56.1	1,442	10.1	6,591	46.0
2001	14,953	7,423	49.6	1,152	7.7	6,271	41.9
2002	14,934	7,016	47.0	1,123	7.5	5,893	39.5
2003	14,281	6,279	44.0	1,294	9.1	4,985	34.9

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***Beginning in 1986, the Total Felon Parolees Returned to Custody Without a New Term includes parolees who were returned to CDC custody pending a revocation hearing

DEFINITIONS AND FORMULAS USED TO PRODUCE THE ANNUAL RATE OF FELON PAROLEES RETURNED TO CALIFORNIA PRISONS

The annual rate of total felon parolees returned to prison is calculated by dividing the number of California felon parolees returned to prison within the calendar year by the average daily felon parole/parolee-at-large (PAL) population. The result is multiplied by 100 to calculate a rate per 100 average daily population. Similar formulas are used to calculate return rates for specific types of returns. Offenders in or returned from Interstate Parole Units (ISPU) or California Youth Authority parole are not included.

Rate of Total

$$\text{Felon Parolees Returned to Prison} = \frac{(\text{PV-WNTs} + \text{PV-RTC}) \times 100}{(\text{ADP})}$$

PV-WNTs: Number of Parole Violators Returned to Prison With a New Term, i.e., parolees who have received a court sentence for a new crime and have been returned to prison.

PV-RTCs: Number of Parole Violators Returned To Custody, i.e., parolees who have violated the conditions of parole and have been returned to prison pending a revocation hearing or to serve parole revocation time.

ADP: Average Daily Parole/PAL Population is the calculated average parolee population per day for the year specified. This figure includes felon parolees supervised in California, plus the average daily felon parolee-at-large (PAL) population. California releases to parole who were under supervision in other states and absconded from supervision were included in the PAL ADP population prior to 1988.

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